

YORBA-ABADIE HOUSE
De La Guerra Plaza,
De La Guerra Street,
Santa Barbara, California.
Santa Barbara Co.

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Built in 1826 by Jose Joaquin Maitorena, a colonel in the Mexican Army who came to California in 1806 as a Cadet in the Santa Barbara Company. He subsequently was elected to the Mexican Congress in 1828 and died in Mexico in 1830. His widow, Dona Ysabel Yorba, in 1850 had extensive alterations made to the main or west wing. The walls were raised some four feet higher and the roof shingled, doing away with the original tiles. The interiors of the three front rooms were papered and the wainscot frescoed by a Spanish painter, Francisco Martinex, who also painted the window shutters in water-color and oils. The north wing was not changed.

The main or west wing is now uninhabitable, having ~~been~~ damaged in the earthquake of 1925, but the north wing is still in use.

Now owned by the Abadie and Harmer families, heirs of the original owners.

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Approved

James M. [Signature]
District Officer

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